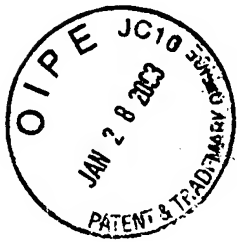


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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 23, 2002, a reply to which is
due January 23, 2003, reconsideration is respectfully requested. Please amend the application as
follows: